

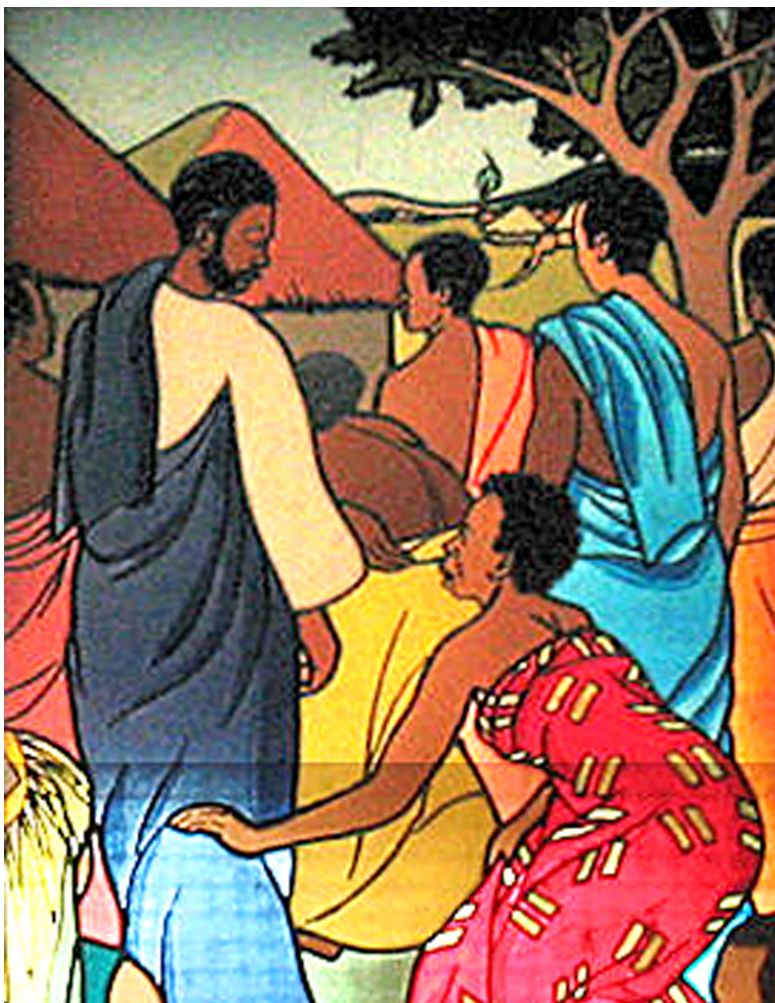


Church of the Nativity, Hamilton

Holy Eucharist

The Sixth Sunday after Pentecost

June 30th, 2024



Web Edition

Called to Life — Compelled to Love



The territory where the Church of the Nativity resides has long been tended by many Indigenous peoples including the Neutrals, the Mississauga, the Anishinaabe, and the Haudenosaunee. With them, we are members of the Dish with One Spoon wampum, and we will strive to live up to our responsibility as treaty members and respect the history, spirituality, and culture of the nations of this place and the heritage and gifts of Métis people.

May our actions be guided by our commitment to reconciliation.

All are welcome in the worship and fellowship of the Church of the Nativity.
May you find grace and hope in this service.

Streaming: Our principal services are streamed to YouTube. We try to minimize individuals' appearances on camera. The beginning of the streaming is marked with an announcement, and then the service will continue as follows.

Prelude

Music is offered to provide a time for quiet prayer and preparation.

A bell is rung, and the service begins.

Processional Hymn

306 O for a Thousand Tongues to Sing¹

**O for a thousand tongues to sing
my great Redeemer's praise,
the glories of my God and King,
the triumphs of his grace.**

**Jesus! the name that charms our fears
and bids our sorrows cease;
'tis music in the sinner's ears,**

'tis life, and health, and peace.

He speaks; and, listening to his voice,
new life the dead receive;
the mournful, broken hearts rejoice,
the humble poor believe.

Hear him, ye deaf, ye voiceless ones,
your loosened tongues employ;
ye blind, behold your Saviour come,
and leap, ye lame, for joy!

My gracious Master and my God,
assist me to proclaim,
to spread through all the earth abroad
the honours of thy name.

Greeting

La grâce de Jésus-Christ notre Seigneur,
and the love of God,
et la communion de l'Esprit-Saint
be with you all.
And also with you.

The Collect ²

Let us pray.

God of inclusive love,
who knows us each by name:
we thank you for the woman who stood out of the crowd
and defied her uncleanness to connect with you;
we praise you for the leader of the synagogue,
who faced the mockery of others to give his daughter hope.

May the flowing power of Christ bring healing and acceptance,
through Jesus Christ, the giver of life,
who lives and reigns with you and the Holy Spirit,
God for ever and ever.

Amen.

Unfolding the Scriptures

1st Reading

A reading from the second book of Samuel.

After the death of Saul, when David had returned from defeating the Amalekites, David remained two days in Ziklag.

David intoned this lamentation over Saul and his son Jonathan. (He ordered that The Song of the Bow be taught to the people of Judah; it is written in the Book of Jashar.) He said:

Your glory, O Israel, lies slain upon your high places!

How the mighty have fallen!

Tell it not in Gath,

proclaim it not in the streets of Ashkelon;

or the daughters of the Philistines will rejoice,
the daughters of the uncircumcised will exult.

You mountains of Gilboa,

let there be no dew or rain upon you,
nor bounteous fields!

For there the shield of the mighty was defiled,
the shield of Saul, anointed with oil no more.

From the blood of the slain,

from the fat of the mighty,

the bow of Jonathan did not turn back,

nor the sword of Saul return empty.

Saul and Jonathan, beloved and lovely!

In life and in death they were not divided;

they were swifter than eagles,
they were stronger than lions.
O daughters of Israel, weep over Saul,
who clothed you with crimson, in luxury,
who put ornaments of gold on your apparel.
How the mighty have fallen
in the midst of the battle!
Jonathan lies slain upon your high places.
I am distressed for you, my brother Jonathan;
greatly beloved were you to me;
your love to me was wonderful,
passing the love of women.
How the mighty have fallen,
and the weapons of war perished!

2 Samuel 1. 1, 17–27

Listen for the leading of the Spirit.

Thanks be to God.

Out of the depths have I called you, O Lord;
Lord, hear my voice;
let your ears consider well the voice of my supplication.

**If you, Lord, were to note what is done amiss,
O Lord, who could stand?**

For there is forgiveness with you;
therefore you shall be feared.

**I wait for you, O Lord; my soul waits for you;
in your word is my hope.**

My soul waits for you, O Lord,
more than sentinels for the morning,
more than sentinels for the morning.

**O Israel, wait for the Lord,
for with the Lord there is mercy;**

with whom there is plenteous redemption,
and who shall redeem Israel from all their sins.

A reading from the second letter to the followers of Jesus in Corinth.

Now as you excel in everything—in faith, in speech, in knowledge, in utmost eagerness, and in our love for you—so we want you to excel also in this generous undertaking.

I do not say this as a command, but I am testing the genuineness of your love against the earnestness of others. For you know the generous act of our Lord Jesus Christ, that though he was rich, yet for your sakes he became poor, so that by his poverty you might become rich. And in this matter I am giving my advice: it is appropriate for you who began last year not only to do something but even to desire to do something— now finish doing it, so that your eagerness may be matched by completing it according to your means. For if the eagerness is there, the gift is acceptable according to what one has—not according to what one does not have. I do not mean that there should be relief for others and pressure on you, but it is a question of a fair balance between your present abundance and their need, so that their abundance may be for your need, in order that there may be a fair balance. As it is written,

‘The one who had much did not have too much,
and the one who had little did not have too little.’

2 Corinthians 8. 7–15

Listen for the leading of the Spirit.

Thanks be to God.

The acclamation is sung

Hal - le - lu - jah, hal - le - lu - jah; hal - le, hal - le - lu - jah.

Hal - le - lu - jah, hal - le - lu - jah; hal - le, hal - le - lu - jah.

Le Seigneur soit avec vous.

And also with you.

L'évangile de Jésus-Christ selon saint Mark.

Glory to you, Lord Jesus Christ.

When Jesus had crossed again in the boat to the other side, a great crowd gathered round him; and he was by the lake. Then one of the leaders of the synagogue named Jairus came and, when he saw him, fell at his feet and begged him repeatedly, 'My little daughter is at the point of death. Come and lay your hands on her, so that she may be made well, and live.' So he went with him.

And a large crowd followed him and pressed in on him. Now there was a woman who had been suffering from haemorrhages for twelve years. She had endured much under many physicians, and had spent all that she had; and she was no better, but rather grew worse. She had heard about Jesus, and came up behind him in the crowd and touched his cloak, for she said, 'If I but touch his clothes, I will be made well.' Immediately her haemorrhage stopped; and she felt in her body that she was healed of her disease. Immediately aware that power had gone forth from him, Jesus turned about in the crowd and said, 'Who touched my clothes?' And his disciples said to him, 'You see the crowd pressing in on you; how can you say, "Who touched me?"' He looked all round to see who had done it. But the woman, knowing what had happened to her, came in fear and trembling, fell down before him, and told him the whole truth. He said to her, 'Daughter, your faith has made

you well; go in peace, and be healed of your disease.'

While he was still speaking, some people came from the leader's house to say, 'Your daughter is dead. Why trouble the teacher any further?' But overhearing what they said, Jesus said to the leader of the synagogue, 'Do not fear, only believe.' He allowed no one to follow him except Peter, James, and John, the brother of James. When they came to the house of the leader of the synagogue, he saw a commotion, people weeping and wailing loudly. When he had entered, he said to them, 'Why do you make a commotion and weep? The child is not dead but sleeping.' And they laughed at him. Then he put them all outside, and took the child's father and mother and those who were with him, and went in where the child was. He took her by the hand and said to her, 'Talitha cum', which means, 'Little girl, get up!' And immediately the girl got up and began to walk about (she was twelve years of age). At this they were overcome with amazement. He strictly ordered them that no one should know this, and told them to give her something to eat.

Mark 5. 21 – 43

Acclamons la Parole de Dieu.

Praise to you, Lord Jesus Christ.

Homily

Let us affirm the faith we share.

**We trust in God, who has created and is creating;
who came to us in Jesus, the word made flesh,
to reconcile and make new;
who works in us and others by the Holy Spirit.**

**We believe we are called to be God's people:
to celebrate God's presence,
to live with respect in creation,
to love and serve others,
to seek justice and resist evil,
to proclaim Jesus' death and resurrection by word and deed.**

**We live in hope because in life, in death, in life beyond death,
we are not alone: God is with us.**

Thanks be to God. Amen.

The Prayers of the People

V Merciful God,
R **receive our prayer.**

Mes amis dans le Christ,
God is steadfast in love and infinite in mercy,
il accueille les pécheurs et les invite à sa table.
Let us confess our sins, confident in God's forgiveness.

God, our provider,

help us.

It is hard to believe there is enough to share.

We question your ways

when they differ from the ways of the world in which we live.

We turn to our own understanding rather than trusting in you.

We take offense at your teachings and your ways.

Turn us again to you. Where else can we turn?

Share with us the words of eternal life

and feed us for life in the world. Amen.

Almighty God have mercy upon you,
pardon and deliver you from all your sins,
confirm and strengthen you in all goodness,
and keep you in eternal life;
through Jesus Christ our Lord.

Amen.

The Peace

Que la paix du Seigneur soit toujours avec vous.

Et avec ton esprit.

Celebration of the Holy Eucharist

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Offertory Hymn

585 Lord, Whose Love in Humble Service ⁶

**Lord, whose love in humble service
bore the weight of human need,
who upon the cross, forsaken,
worked your mercy's perfect deed:
we, your servants, bring the worship
not of voice alone but heart;
consecrating to your purpose
every gift which you impart.**

**Still your children wander homeless;
still the hungry cry for bread;
still the captives long for freedom;
still in grief we mourn our death.
As you, Lord, in deep compassion,
healed the sick and freed the soul,
by your Spirit send your power
to our world to make it whole.**

**As we worship, grant us vision
till your love's revealing light
in its height and depth and greatness
dawns upon our quickened sight,
making known the needs and burdens
your compassion bids us bear,
stirring us to ardent service,
your abundant life to share.**

Jesus, Bread of life,
you have set this table with your very self,
and called us to the feast of plenty.
Gather what has been sown among us,
and strengthen us in this meal.
Make us to be what we receive here,
your body for the life of the world.
Amen.

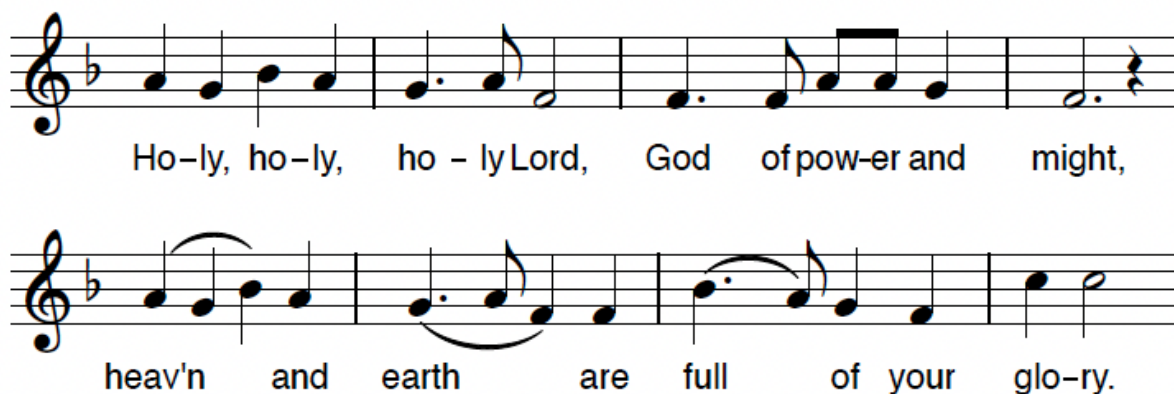
The Great Thanksgiving ⁸

May God be with you.
And also with you.

Élevons notre cœur.
We lift them up to God.

Let us give thanks to the Lord our God.
It is right to give our thanks and praise.

Blessed are you, gracious God, creator of heaven and earth;
you are the source of light and life for all your creation.
Tu nous as faits à ton image
et nous appelle à une vie nouvelle en Jésus-Christ notre Sauveur.
Nous te louons en joignant nos voix pour proclamer la gloire de ton nom.



Ho-ly, ho-ly, ho - ly Lord, God of pow-er and might,
heav'n and earth are full of your glo-ry.

The image shows two staves of musical notation in G major (one flat) and 4/4 time. The first staff contains the melody for the first line of lyrics, and the second staff contains the melody for the second line. The lyrics are printed below the notes.

Ho - san - na in the high - est,
 ho - san - na in the high - est.
 Bles-sed is the One who comes in the name of the
 Lord. Ho - san - na in the high - est,
 Hosanna in the highest, hosanna in the highest.

**Holy, holy, holy Lord, God of power and might.
 Heav'n and earth are full of your glory.
 Hosanna in the highest, hosanna in the highest.
 Blessed is the One who comes in the name of the Lord.
 Hosanna in the highest, hosanna in the highest.**

Nous te rendons grâce, Seigneur Dieu,
pour la bonté et l'amour que tu nous as manifestés dans la création,
dans la vocation d'Israël, ton peuple,
dans ta parole proclamée par les prophètes,
et par-dessus tout, dans le Verbe fait chair, Jésus-Christ,
ton Fils unique, notre Seigneur.

For in these last days you sent him to be incarnate from the Virgin Mary,
to be the Saviour and Redeemer of the world.

In him, you have delivered us from evil,
and made us worthy to stand before you.

In him, you have brought us out of error into truth,
out of sin into righteousness,
out of death into life.

La nuit où il fut livré à la souffrance et à la mort,
une mort qu'il avait librement acceptée,
notre Seigneur Jésus-Christ prit du pain,
et, t'ayant rendu grâce,
il le rompit et le donna à ses disciples en disant :
« Prenez, mangez-en tous :
ceci est mon corps livré pour vous.
Faites ceci en mémoire de moi. »

After supper he took the cup of wine;
and when he had given thanks, he gave it to them, and said,
“Drink this, all of you:
this is my blood of the new covenant,
which is shed for you and for many for the forgiveness of sins.
Whenever you drink it, do this for the remembrance of me.”

Therefore, Father, according to his command,
we remember his death,
we proclaim his resurrection,
we await his coming in glory;

et nous t'offrons ce sacrifice de louange et d'action de grâce,
Seigneur de l'univers,
te présentant ce pain et ce vin,
fruits de ta création.

We pray you, gracious God,
to send your Holy Spirit upon these gifts,
that they may be the sacrament
of the body of Christ and his blood of the new covenant.

Unite us to your Son in his sacrifice,
that we, made acceptable in him,
may be sanctified by the Holy Spirit.

Dans la plénitude des temps,
réconcilie et renouvelle toutes choses dans le Christ
et conduis-nous à la cité de lumière,
là où tu habites avec tous tes enfants,
par Jésus-Christ notre Seigneur,
le premier-né de toute création,
la tête de l'Église
et l'auteur de notre salut ;

by whom, and with whom, and in whom,
in the unity of the Holy Spirit,
all honour and glory are yours,
almighty Father, now and for ever.

The image shows a musical score for the word 'Amen'. It consists of two staves: a treble clef staff and a bass clef staff. The key signature has one flat (B-flat). The time signature is 8/8. The music is written in a simple, hymn-like style. The lyrics 'A - men, A - men, A - men.' are written below the notes. The first two measures are identical, each containing a half note 'A' and a half note 'men'. The third measure contains a half note 'A' and a half note 'men'. The fourth measure contains a half note 'A' and a half note 'men'. The fifth measure contains a half note 'A' and a half note 'men'. The sixth measure contains a half note 'A' and a half note 'men'. The music is written in a simple, hymn-like style.

Amen, amen, amen.

Gathered into one by the Holy Spirit,
let us pray as Jesus teaches us in the language and version of our comfort:

Our Father

Notre Père

**in heaven,
hallowed be your name,
your kingdom come,
your will be done,
on earth as in heaven.
Give us today our daily bread.**

**qui es aux cieux,
que ton nom soit sanctifié,
que ton règne vienne,
que ta volonté soit faite
sur la terre comme au ciel.
Donne-nous aujourd'hui notre pain
de ce jour.**

**Forgive us our sins
as we forgive those who sin
against us.
Save us from the time of trial,
and deliver us from evil.**

**Pardonne-nous nos offenses,
comme nous pardonnons aussi
à ceux qui nous ont offensés.
Et ne nous soumetts pas à la
tentation, mais délivre-nous du mal.**

**For the kingdom, the
power, and the glory are yours,
now and for ever.**

**Car c'est à toi qu'appartiennent
le règne, la puissance et la gloire,
pour les siècles des siècles.**

Amen.

We keep silent and pray for a short time.

The Breaking of the Bread⁹

Creator of all, tu donnes des champs de blé,
whose many grains we have gathered and made into this one bread.

**So may your Church be gathered from the ends of the earth
into your reign of justice and peace.**

Communion¹⁰

Christ has set the table with more than enough for all. Come!
Thanks be to God!

All who are unable to be physically present to receive the eucharist may wish to pray one of the following prayers of reception for spiritual communion ¹¹:

I worship and adore you, Lord Jesus Christ, present in bread and wine, and present in your people, who are gathered in spirit. In this moment I join with them to receive you in my heart, and in our community. May you, enthroned on the altar, be now enthroned in my heart; may you, present in bread and wine, feed and renew my soul; may you, who gives yourself to us again, fill us with grace, and heavenly blessing. Even as I am fed, may my hunger for you and for your reign of justice and peace increase, that I may, with your Spirit, work for that day when your kingdom shall come on earth as it is heaven. Amen.

or

Come, Lord Jesus, and make in my heart your dwelling place and home. I seek to love you with all my heart, mind, soul and strength, and so, through your presence in bread and wine I receive you afresh and praise you for you are my God. As you fill me, so may my love for you and for all your people, rise and overflow, that with joy and thanksgiving I may serve you in the world you love. Amen.

or

Jesus, I believe that you are present with us in the sacrament of bread and wine. I love you and I desire your presence afresh in my life. Since I cannot now receive the bread and wine of the altar, come spiritually into my heart. I embrace you and unite myself to you; never let me be separated from you. Amen.

**Jesus, the very thought of thee,
with sweetness fills the breast;
but sweeter far thy face to see,
and in thy presence rest.**

**No voice can sing, nor heart can frame,
nor can the mind recall
a sweeter sound than Jesus' name,
the Saviour of us all.**

**O hope of every contrite heart,
O joy of all the meek;
to those who ask, how kind thou art,
how good to those who seek!**

**But what to those who find? Ah, this
nor tongue nor pen can show;
the love of Jesus, what it is
none but his lovers know.**

**Jesus, our only joy be thou,
as thou our prize wilt be;
in thee be all our glory now,
and through eternity.**

All your works praise you, O Lord.
And your faithful servants bless you.

Gracious God
we thank you for feeding us
with the body and blood of your Son Jesus Christ.
May we, who share his body, live his risen life;
we, who drink his cup, bring life to others;
we, whom the Spirit lights, give light to the world.
Keep us firm in the hope you have set before us,
so that we and all your children shall be free,
and the whole earth live to praise your name;
through Christ our Lord. Amen.

Parish Announcements

Prayer for Canada

Almighty God, you give us this good nation as our heritage.
May we prove ourselves a people
mindful of your generosity and glad to do your will.
Bless our land with honest industry,
truthful education,
and an honourable way of life.
Save us from violence, discord, and confusion;
from pride and arrogance;
and from every evil course of action.
Make us
who come from many nations with many different languages
a united people.

Defend our liberties

and give those whom we have entrusted with the authority of government
the spirit of wisdom, that there may be justice and peace in our land.

When times are prosperous, let our hearts be thankful;

and, in troubled times, do not let our trust in you fail.

We ask this through Jesus Christ our Lord.

Amen.

O Canada¹⁴

O Canada! Our home and native land!

True patriot love in all of us command.

**With glowing hearts, we see thee rise,
the true north strong and free!**

From far and wide, O Canada, we stand on guard for thee.

God keep our land glorious and free!

O Canada, we stand on guard for thee.

O Canada, we stand on guard for thee.

**O Canada! Where pines and maples grow,
great prairies spread and lordly rivers flow,**

how dear to us thy broad domain,

from east to western sea!

Thou land of hope for all who toil!

Thou true north strong and free!

Refrain

Ruler supreme, who hearest humble prayer,

hold our dominion in thy loving care.

Help us to find, O God, in thee a lasting rich reward,

as waiting for the better day, we ever stand on guard.

Refrain

Blessing

Dismissal

Allez dans le monde,
en vous réjouissant de la puissance de l'Esprit!
Thanks be to God!

The flowers today are given to the glory of God,

*and in loving memory of
the Reverend Marshall B. Lashley and Dr. Ruth Lashley*

*Placed by Valrie, Megan, Deserie, Chris,
grandchildren, nieces and nephews*

*and in thanksgiving for
all my blessings and the gift of life,
given by Millie Marzo*

Your Daily Prayers are Requested:

For the Church:

For Susan our bishop & all the people of the Diocese of Niagara;
For the parish of St. John, Burlington;
For Anne, our metropolitan archbishop;
For Linda, our primate;
For the worldwide Anglican Communion, remembering the Hong Kong Sheng Kung Hui;

For those in our parish cycle of prayer:

For Sue & Carl; for Jeff, Becky, Josie, & Jamie; for Diana;

For the needs of the world:

For peace:

For peace especially in Ukraine, South Sudan, Yemen, Gaza, Palestine, Israel, and all places of conflict

For those we know in need of healing:

For those who have died, and those who mourn:

Thank you for your daily prayers for the people, worship, fellowship, and ministries of the Church of the Nativity



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